District IV Advisory Board Meeting Minutes April 6, 2005

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The **District IV Advisory Board Meeting** was held at 7:00 p.m. at the Stanley Aley Neighborhood Center. In attendance was nine (9) District Advisory Board members, seven (7) staff and approximately four (4) citizens with four (4) signing in.

Members Present	Staff Present
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Jerry McGinty Officer Eisenbise, Police Joshua Blick Officer Mallard, Police

Tom Engelmann Larry Foos, Parks and Recreation
Mary Cockburn Dana Brown, City Manager's Office

Ed Koon Brandon Kauffman, City Manager's Office

Doug Shoen Michael Gisick Jim Benton Marjorie Griffith Doug Leeper

Council Member Gray

Members Absent Guests

Damon Burrows Listed on Page 5

Tom Engelmann

Order of Business

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m.

Jerry McGinty (**Jim Benton**) moved to approve the agenda for the April 6, 2005 meeting. The motion passed 9-0.

McGinty (**Jim Benton**) moved to approve the minutes for the March 2, 2005 meeting. The motion passed 9-0.

Public Agenda

The Public Agenda allows members of the public to present matters to the District Advisory Board. Each presentation is limited to a period of five minutes unless extended by the Board.

1. Scheduled Items

Bob Weeks, stated that he was in opposition to the Air Tran subsidies. He stated that under the fair market system, the market would be allowed to make the decision. In this case the market is being subsidized and Air Tran cannot sustain itself in the Wichita market. Air Tran is not establishing itself in the market and instead the magnitude of the subsidies are increasing. He stated that figures for the economic impact are misleading and that fares may not increase as much as people think if the city quit subsidizing Air Tran. **Mary Cockburn** asked if there were any flights that went West. **Weeks** stated that there was not and Air Tran only flies to the east.

2. Off-Agenda Items

No items were presented.

Staff Presentations

3. Community Police

Officer Austin, stated that larceny has been on the increase lately. The Southwest Seneca Parade is on the 9th of April and will start at 10:30 am. The Wichita Police Department has also arrested two suspects who were caught in Haysville and believed to have been involved in Wichita liquor store robberies.

Officer Eissenbiese, stated that the Sunflower Neighborhood Association had their neighborhood cleanup last weekend and it was a success. The Sedgwick County Zoo will host the WPD who will have the fingerprint Identi-A-Kid station setup. An informational meeting regarding the WPD use of tasers will occur on the 25th of April at Patrol South at 7:00 pm.

Action: Receive and File.

4. Osage Spary PArk

Larry Foos, Parks and Recreation Department, presented a computer rendition of the Osage Spray Park design. Foos stated that the Parks and Recreation department decided to put a compass on the other side of the spray park due to budget constraints. Council Member Gray asked what happened to the shad bench structures. Foos stated that due to budget constraints they could not pursue the benches with the shade structures.

Michael Gisick asked what would happen if the frog eyes would need to be replaced. **Foos** stated that they were under a one year warranty and after that the Parks and Recreation Department would be responsible for replacement costs. Foos said that the dirt work has commenced for the spray park and they should have received the filtration system today.

Gisick asked what the dimensions of the shade structure were. **Foos** stated that it was approximately 12 feet by 16 feet. **Gisick** then asked what is the average number of kids per day that use the Riverside spray park. **Foos** stated that approximately 75 to 100 kids a day utilize the Riverside structure.

Council Member Gray asked about the life expectancy of the filtration system for the spray park. **Foos** stated that he was not sure of the life expectancy but Hutchinson has had spray parks for 6 years and no issues have arisen for them.

Mary Cockburn asked when the spray park will be finished. **Foos** stated that it should be finished in June.

Council Member Gray asked if he could get estimates on the costs for the benches. He then asked if it would be possible to move the shade structure in the middle to the West side of the spray so that the middle would be left open. This would also leave the option of having another shade structure on the east side.

Gisick asked if the spray park would have a grand opening. **Foos** stated that they would have a grand opening shortly after the completion.

Action: Receive and File.

5. Community Events Ordinance

Dana Brown, City Manager's Office, stated that the City of Wichita has assisted citizens and community partners with special events on public property for many years. Challenges exist for both applicant and staff due to a variety of approval processes and issues associated with frequency, uniqueness and time constraints of requests.

A new ordinance is proposed to simplify the application process for citizens, in addition the ordinance will provide a central review process and provide consistency in approvals and compliance while working with the applicant. This process would also setup a fee for submittal of applications with the fee schedule setup so the earlier a citizen would submit the application the lower the fee.

Cockburn asked if you cannot currently have street obstruction. **Brown** stated that under the revised ordinance tables could be setup on the street as long as there was necessary clearance for emergency vehicles.

McGinty asked if the new ordinance was just for street closure. **Brown** stated no. **McGinty** asked if there was anything that would include a group from the fee schedule. **Brown** stated that Neighborhood Associations and family reunions are excluded from the fee schedule.

Gisick asked if this would include parade review. **Brown** stated that parade review is handled by the Wichita Police Department.

McGinty asked if charitable organizations would be excluded from the fee schedule. **Brown** stated that they would not be because organizations could possibly then use charitable organizations to submit the application so that they would not be required to

pay the fee. The Law Department advised them not to include non-profit organizations because of this reason.

Leeper stated that this seems like the City is just hitting businesses up for extra chase. He then asked what the little bit of money that is raised would do. **Brown** stated that the fee schedule is setup so that applicants would submit applications earlier and also there could be the possibly that the money would be earmarked for street closure equipment.

Gisck asked about section 9 and if the applicant was not notified in 10 days what would happen. **Brown** stated that would need to be addressed with the Law Department.

Scheon stated that the city should send out registered letters to denied applicants.

Gisick motioned to approve with the following items; fees be earmarked for purchase of street closure equipment, registered mail utilized for denied applicants, National Night Out be clarified exempt in the ordinance, and clarify what would happen if no response was received after ten days to applicants.

Action: Gisick (Benton) motioned to approve with the following items; fees be earmarked for purchase of street closure equipment, registered mail utilized for denied applicants, National Night Out be clarified exempt in the ordinance, and clarify what would happen if no response was received after ten days to applicants. The motion passed 8-1.

Board Agenda

Griffith stated that the South Seneca Parade will be on April 9.

Gisick stated that the parade would begin at 10:00 and the car show would start immediately afterward.

McGinty introduced Toni Tempy the new president of the Delano Business Association.

Toni Tempy stated that the Delano Car Show will be held on June 25, the Red Cross Disaster Relief on July 11, and the Fall Fair on October 2.

Council Member Gray stated that the City Council had approved funds for Wildwood Park sidewalk construction.

Respectfully Submitted,

Brandon Kauffman District IV Neighborhood Assistant

Guests
Gerald Marsh
Lonny Wirght
Toni Tempy
Barbara Hughes

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